

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 09/841,017

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Commissioner for Patents  
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants for the above-identified application respectfully Petition the Commissioner for a one (1) month extension of time, extending the period for response to November 28, 2006 from the Non Final Office Action mailed July 28, 2006. The Petition filing fee of \$120.00 and a response are attached.

If it should be determined that a longer extension of time is required to prevent this application from being abandoned, please charge Deposit Account No. 19-3140.

Respectfully submitted,

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